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| Serial No.: 09/757,765 |) | Ex. C. Toomer |
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| Filed: January 10, 2001 |) | |

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RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR CORRECTED DRAWINGS

The undersigned, counsel of record in this case, hereby submits new drawings for Figures 1 through 4 which were only recently required after the application had gone to issue. Applicant hereby notes his displeasure at having the Office make such a requirement in April, 2004 when the case was filed in January 2001, and the Office

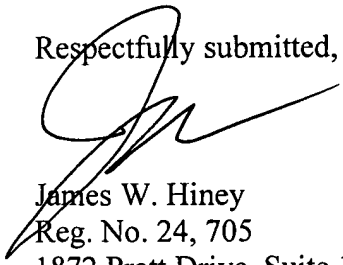
should have made this requirement long ago. There are four figures in the application and corrected drawings are submitted for all four figures.

It is suggested that Ms. Gray call the undersigned upon receipt of this submission so that he can notify the client that the matter has been taken care of and the case has again been forwarded to issue, which is LONG overdue in this application.

If there should be any other matter the Office is requested to contact the undersigned at the below number so that it can be immediately addressed. This matter should be brought to the attention of Ms. Gray at the above address as she called the undersigned today, April 8th, to request that the new drawings be sent to her to expedite this matter. Ms. Gray's number is (703) 305-8404.

Submitted herewith are a copy of the Office Form requiring new drawings and the notice page. Also submitted herewith is a stamped postcard which the Office is requested to deposit with the U. S. Postal Service so that applicant has a record of receipt of this mailing and drawings.

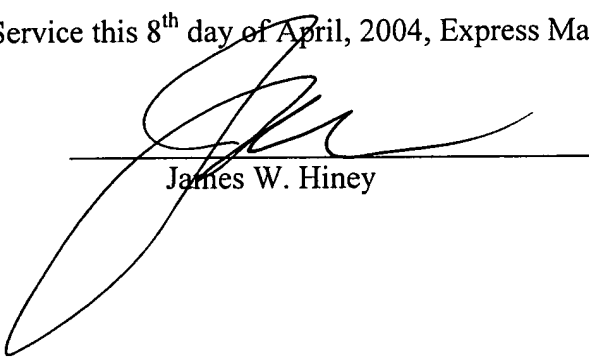
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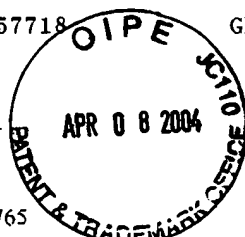
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Certification of Mailing

I, James W. Hiney, do hereby certify that an executed copy of the above letter, together with four sheets of new drawings and a stamped postcard, were deposited with the U. S. Postal Service this 8th day of April, 2004, Express Mail No. ER 422451643 US.



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PATENT DRAWING REVIEW

Under USPTO Standards 37 CFR 1.84 and 1.152

The drawings, filed on 01/10/2001, are not compliance with the following Rules:

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| <p>1. DRAWINGS. 1.84(a).</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Color drawings are not acceptable until petition is granted. Fig(s).</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Three sets of color drawings are required. Fig(s).</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Pencil, non-black ink are not permitted. Fig(s).</p> <p>2. PHOTOGRAPHS. 1.84(b).</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Poor quality photos. Fig(s).</p> <p>3. TYPE OF PAPER. 1.84(e).</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Paper not flexible, strong, white, and durable. Fig(s).</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Erasures, alterations, over writings, interlineations, folds, copy machine marks not accepted. Fig(s).</p> <p>4. SIZE OF PAPER. 1.84(l). Acceptable paper sizes: 21.0cm x 29.7cm (A4 International Standard Size) 21.6cm x 27.9cm (US Letter size, 8.5" x 11")</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> All drawing sheets are not the same size. Sheet(s)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Paper size not acceptable. Fig(s).</p> <p>5. MARGINS. 1.84(g). Acceptable margins : Top 2.5cm - Left 2.5cm - Right 1.5cm - Bottom 1cm</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Margins not acceptable. Fig(s). 1 - 3.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Top <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Left <input type="checkbox"/> Right <input type="checkbox"/> Bottom</p> <p>6. VIEWS. 1.84(h).</p> <p>REMINDER: Specification may need to be revised in correspondence with the drawing changes.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Views not labeled separately or properly. Fig(s).</p> <p>7. SECTIONAL VIEWS. 1.84(h)(3).</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Sectional designation should be in Arabic or Roman number. Fig(s).</p> <p>8. ARRANGEMENT OF VIEWS. 1.84(i).</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Different figures must be clearly separated. Fig(s).</p> | <p>9. SCALE. 1.84(k).</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Scale not large enough, details not clear. Fig(s).</p> <p>10. CHARACTER OF LINES, NUMBERS, LETTERS. 1.84(l).</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lines, numbers, letters not uniform, clean, and well defined, (poor quality). Fig(s). 1 - 4.</p> <p>11. SHADING. 1.84(m).</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Solid black shading not permitted. Fig(s).</p> <p>12. REFERENCE CHARACTERS: NUMBERS, LETTERS. 1.84(p).</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Characters not plain, legible. Fig(s).</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Characters not oriented in the same direction as the view. Fig(s).</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> English required. Fig(s).</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Characters must be at least .32cm (1/8") height. Fig(s). 1 - 4.</p> <p>13. LEAD LINES. 1.84(q).</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Crossed lead lines not allowed. Fig(s).</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Missing lead lines. Fig(s).</p> <p>14. PAGE NUMBERING. 1.84(t).</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Drawing sheets not properly numbered. Fig(s).</p> <p>15. VIEW NUMBERING. 1.84(u).</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> View not numbered consecutively, in Arabic numbers, begin with number 1. Fig(s).</p> <p>16. DESIGN DRAWINGS. 1.152.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Surface shading not appropriate. Fig(s).</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Solid black shading not permitted. Fig(s).</p> |
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COMMENTS:

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Notice Regarding Drawings

Corrected drawings for the above-identified application, received in the USPTO on 1-10-01 are still not acceptable for the reason(s) identified on the attached PTO-948. Applicant is given one opportunity to correct the informalities within a two-month time period from the mailing date of this Notice. **THIS TIME PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE UNDER EITHER 37 CFR 1.136(a) OR 1.136(b).** Failure to take corrective action within the set period will result in abandonment of the application.

ATTACHMENT: PTO-948 Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Review

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